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SUBJ: POSSIBILITY OF TERRORIST INCIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH IMPERIAL
VISIT

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1. JAPANESE VERNACULAR PRESS MORNING SEPTEMBER 5 REPORTS
ARREST OF TWO MEMBERS OF CHUKAKU RADICAL FACTION LATE ON
SEPTEMBER 4 ON SUSPICION THAT THEY INTENDED TO PLANT A BOMB
IN VICINITY OF CROWN PRINCE'S PALACE (TOKYO). THE MEN,
DISCOVERED DRIVING A CAR UP TO SOUTH GATE OF PALACE, FLED
AND AFTER CHASE BY POLICE PATROL CAR, WERE FOUND TO HAVE
PARTS FOR COFFEE-CAN-SIZED TIME BOMB IN THEIR CAR. MAINICHI
SAYS POLICE ARE CERTAIN THE RADICALS PLANNED BLAST CROWN
PRINCE'S PALACE "IN OPPOSITION TO THE EMPEROR'S VISIT TO THE
US."

2. THIS ARREST CLOSELY FOLLOWED DEVASTATING EXPLOSION IN
RESIDENTIAL AREA OF YOKOSUKA CITY (SITE OF LARGE US NAVAL
BASE) AT ABOUT 2:30 A.M. SEPTEMBER 4. EXPLOSION WAS
SUBSEQUENTLY ATTRIBUTED BY POLICE TO BUNGLED ATTEMPT BY
AT LEAST TWO AND POSSIBLY THREE, MEMBERS OF SAME CHUKAKU
FACTION TO ASSEMBLE BOMB IN APARTMENT. TOTAL OF FIVE PEOPLE
WERE KILLED, EIGHT INJURED, AND ABOUT TWENTY NEIGHBORING
HOUSE DAMAGED. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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3. ENERGIES OF CHUKAKU RADICALS IN RECENT YEARS HAVE BEEN MAINLY DEVOTED TO IDEOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL ATTACKS ON RIVAL ULTRA-LEFT FACTION, THE KAKUARU. REPORTED INCIDENTS MAY MEAN THAT CHUKAKU FOCUS HAS SHIFTED TO EMULATION OF SELF-STYLED "EAST ASIA ANTI-IMPERIALIST FRONT" SOME MEMBERS OF WHICH WERE CAUGHT BY POLICE IN MAY FOLLOWING NINE-MONTH WAVE OF TERROR BOMBINGS. CHUKAKU'S LINKS TO INTERNATIONALLY-FOCUSED "JAPAN RED ARMY" ARE UNCLEAR,BUT WE FIND APPARENT TARGETING OF CROWN PRINCE'S RESIDENCE DISTURBING IN VIEW OF IMPERIAL VISIT.
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